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January 24, 1968

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter and enclosure addressed to the Central Intelligence Agency have been referred to the FBI and were received on January 22nd.

In response to your inquiry, information in FBI files must be maintained as confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. I hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have material in our files relating to the organization you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record identifiable with correspondent. Lafayette Ron Hubbard, the founder of the Founding Church of Scientology, has been known to the Bureau since 1951. Neither Hubbard nor the organization headed by him has been investigated by the Bureau. Hubbard has been described as being "hopelessly insane" by his wife in connection with divorce proceedings. Hubbard's theory of "Scientology" is an alleged science which instills self-confidence and assists individuals in removing mental problems. In August, 1966, the Department requested information

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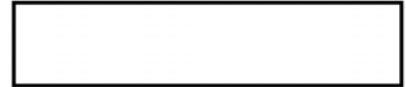
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concerning the Founding Church of Scientology, inasmuch as the Tax Division is involved in litigation as to whether or not the alleged Church of Scientology is exempt from Federal income taxation as a religious organization. Pertinent information contained in Bufiles has been provided to the Department. This organization has also been investigated by the Food and Drug Administration, Internal Revenue Service and the Army. (62-94080;83-2361)



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January 10, 1968

CIA
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a notice of a meeting to be held in Washington. I have read some of this groups publications and am confused as to whether it is a political, religious, or social group. Do you have any public information available on them or could you tell me what department of government to contact.

Thank you very much.

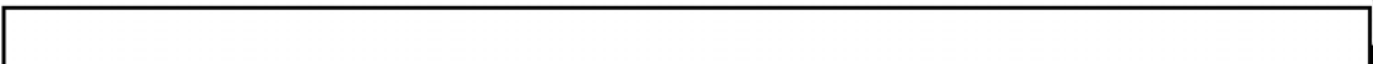
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P.S. Their official letterhead reads: The Founding Church of Scientology
The Hubbard Scientology Organization in Washington DC

1812 19th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20009



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Washington, D. C.

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There are attached two copies of a LHM suitable
for dissemination to [redacted]

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There is also attached a copy of FBI
Identification Record Number 244 210 B, which probably
pertains to subject, Hubbard. (S)(u)

For your information, [redacted] has also requested
information concerning Hubbard for [redacted]

[redacted] has been furnished information regarding
Hubbard but they have been told that information relating
to him will be furnished by your office. (S)(u)

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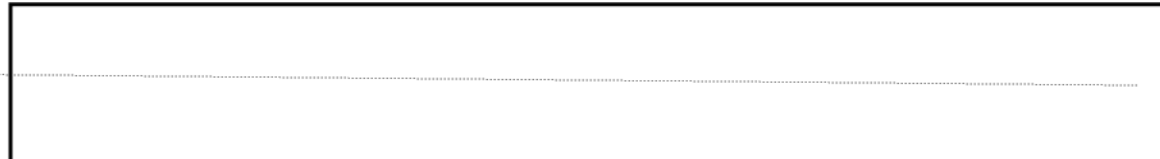
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August 13, 1968 ^{NAME CHECK}

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RONALD LAFAYETTE HUBBARD
Also known as L. Ron Hubbard
Born: March 13, 1911
Tilden, Nebraska

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No investigation has been conducted by this Bureau concerning Hubbard. However, our files reveal that he was the founder and president of the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation, Inc., which was incorporated in New Jersey during April, 1950.

The December 5, 1950 issue of Look magazine contained an article entitled "Dianetics - Science or Hoax?" which related that Hubbard was an obscure writer of pseudo-scientific pulp fiction.

During March, 1951, the Board of Medical Examiners, State of New Jersey, had a case against the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation scheduled for trial on the grounds that the organization was conducting a school teaching a branch of medicine and surgery without a license.

The April 24, 1951, issue of the "Washington Times Herald" carried an article indicating that Hubbard's wife, in suing him for divorce, had claimed that he was "hopelessly insane." According to this article, "competent medical advisors recommended that Hubbard be committed to a private sanatorium for psychiatric observation and treatment of a mental ailment known as "paranoid schizophrenia."

In January, 1963, the Food and Drug Administration directed a raid against the Academy of Scientology in Washington, D.C., in which machines used by the Academy in

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Ronald Lafayette Hubbard

the practice of Scientology were seized. It was alleged that these machines, known as "Hubbard Electrometers," were falsely advertised as being effective in treating various types of illnesses.

In the past, Hubbard has corresponded with this Bureau and Department of Justice on several occasions for various reasons, including complaints about his wife and about alleged communists. In one lengthy letter in May, 1951, it is perhaps noteworthy that Hubbard stated that while he was in his apartment on February 23, 1951, about two or three o'clock in the morning, his apartment was entered. He was knocked out. A needle was thrust into his heart to produce a coronary thrombosis and he was given an electric shock. He said his recollection of this incident was now very blurred, that he had no witnesses and that the only other person who had a key to the apartment was his wife.

62-94080)

(C) In referenced letter, you indicated you had received information on Hubbard from [redacted] and asked what portions, if any, of information furnished to you by this Bureau could be passed on to [redacted].
(C) [redacted] For your information, [redacted] has, through our representative in Paris, asked for information on Hubbard and such information will be furnished to them by our representative. ~~(C)~~

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